EXHIBIT J

- if anything, of the chief of police? You get budget calls for 36 sergeants' positions and you make 38 sergeants.
 - A. Right.

- Q. Is there any limitation, any constraint whatsoever?
- A. In the past we overpromoted essentially just by looking at the budget and making sure that we could afford to do it, and asking for additional regs and you just, you would tell HR, "This requisition is going to be in lieu of a patrol officer. We're going to make it a sergeant," was sort of the --
- Q. And HR didn't have to clear with anybody in charge of budgeting inside the county?
- A. I don't know what HR did. I don't. I called Pat Lutz DiIenno and said, "I want to promote the 38 sergeants." "Okay, do you have open positions?" "Yes, I do." "Okay."
 - Q. But at some level you didn't. You only had --
 - A. I had open patrol officer positions.
- Q. Oh. So you say yes, you took from her question, "Do you have open positions," "Yes, I have those positions."
 - A. Yes.